

Sri Maha Pratyangira Devi: The Goddess to Counter Black Magic

Worshipping Prathyangira Amman relieves us from all kinds of dosham, accidents, enemies, diseases, wrath, curses, obstacles, black magic. She bears 8 snakes on her body. Her Potri Malai describes her as "Ashta Nagam Konda Kali Thirisuli". Those who have Sarpa Dosham or often get scary dreams involving Snakes can worship Prathyangira Devi for instant relief. It is believed that Prathyangira Amman relieves us from Rahu Dosham and Varahi Amman relieves us from Ketu Doshams. Devotees who have experienced her Mahima have shared stories wherein by just spreading her kumkumam around the house or at the entrance of the house acts like a barrier and protects the house and family from Dushta Atma, snakes and other Visha (poisonous) Jeevangal.

The following are Prathyangira Devi's favorite foods:

1. Panakam (jaggery crushed in pure water, flavoured with cardamom, dried ginger)
2. Paruppu-Vellam Payasam (made with Kadalai Paruppu, Paitham Paruppu, Jaggery, Coconut and Pure Milk)
3. Ulundu Vadai
4. Ellu Urundai
5. Red Banana (Chevvazhai Pazham)
6. Pomegranate
7. Dates

The following are Prathyangira Devi's favourite colors (for sarees):

1. Deep Red (preferred by Shantha Prathyangira & Ugraha Prathyangira)
2. Purple (preferred by Shantha Prathyangira)

3. Yellow (preferred by Shantha Prathyangira)
4. Black (preferred by Ugraha Prathyangira)

The following are special days for pooja for Prathyangira Amman:

1. Amavasya
2. Ashtami
3. Sunday
4. Tuesday
5. Friday

The following is Prathyangira Amman's moola mantram and some simple shlokams.

Mantram chanted in Sri Maha Prathyangira Homam:

Om Ksham Krishna Vasase, Simha Vadhane, Maha Vadhane,
Maha Bhairavi, Sarva Shatru Karma Vidhdwamsini,
Paramanthra Chetini, Sarva Bhootha Dhamani,
Sarva Bhoothaam Pandha Pandha, Sarva Vignyaan Sindhi Sindhi,
Sarva Vyadhir Nikrindha Nikrindha, Sarva Dhushtaan Paksha Paksha,
Jwala Jihwe, Karaala Vakhtre, Karaala Dhamshrey,
Prathyangire Hreem Swaaha.

Sloka – 1

Aparaajithaayaicha Vidhmahe
Shatru Nishoodhinyaicha Theemahi
Thanno Prathyangirayai Prachodhayaath :

Sloka – 2

Ugram Veeram Maha Shakthim
Jwalantham Sarvathomukham
Prathyangira Bheeshanam Pathram
Mrityum Mrithyum Namaamyaham

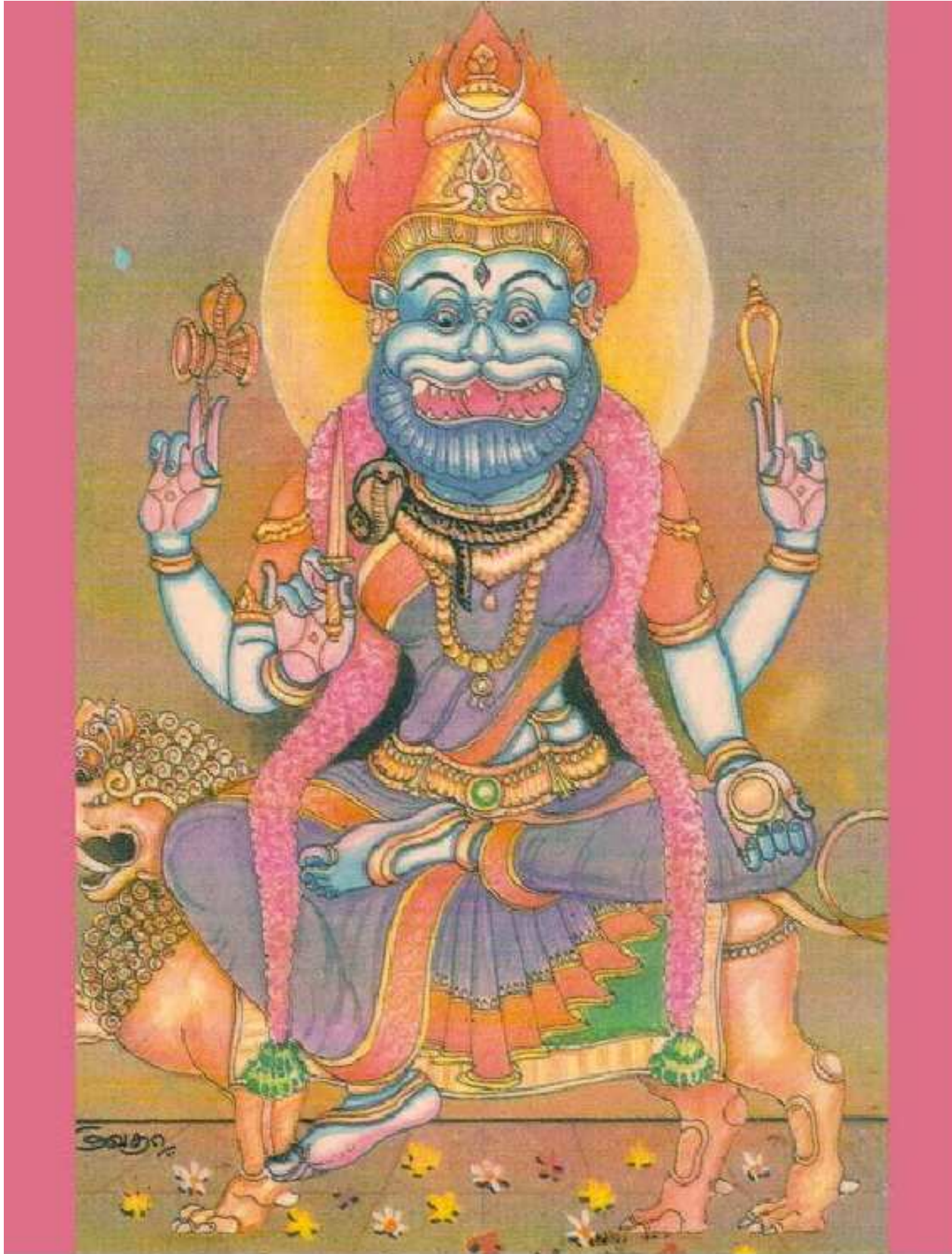
Sloka – 3

Amma Prathyangira, Devi Prathyangira
Sathyam Prathyangira, Sarvam Prathyangira
Shozinganalluril Vaazhum Prathyangira
Valvinaigal Theerkum Annaiye Prathyangira

Sri Prathyangira Gayatri Mantra:

Om Aparajeethaya Vidhmahey
Pratyangiraya Dheemahi
Thano Ugra Prachodhayaath...
Om Pratayangiraya Vidhmahey
Sathrunisoothiniya Dheemahi
Thano Devi Prajothayaath

For those who find this difficult, just chant "Jay Prathyangira, Jaya Jaya Prathyangira" as much as you can.



Sri Prathiyangira Devi Temples:

These are some of the temples of Sri Prathiyangira Devi:

1. Ayyavadi(Aivar Padi) near Kumbakonam (South India). Here her deity is lion faced with 18 hands.

This temple for Sri Maha Prathyangira Devi is situated in a small village called Ayyavadi around 6 kms from Kumbakonam.

Located just 500 mts from Uppiliappan temple, this village was once called as Aivar Padi. According to legends, the 5 Pandavas visited this place, kept their weapons under a tree, worshipped Sri Maha Prathyangira Devi and went around in the forests. As the five Pandavas worshipped here, it is believed that the place was called as Aivar Padi which later changed as Ayyavadi.

In Ramayana, Indrajit, son of Ravana performed a Yaga called "Nigumbalai Yagam", worshipping Sri Maha Prathyangira Devi. It is believed that from this Ayyavadi he performed the Yaga. If he had completed the Yaga successfully, he would have got the powers to kill Rama.

But somehow it was spoiled by Lakshmana and Anjaneya before completion. Here the Devi is seated on the chariot with 4 lions, 8 arms with weapons possessing Lion's face.

Sri Maha Prathyangira Devi's worship will take away all evil forces and unsolvable problems from one's life. In this temple Homams are conducted every full moon day and No moon day, after which huge volumes of Red Chillies are offered to the Goddess.

2. Vedian Enthal a small village near Manamadurai (South India). Here she is five faced and seated on a lotus.

3. In the corridor of the Karumariamman Temple (Chennai).

4. A private temple at Solinga Nallur (Chennai).

Lord Vishnu took the Narasimha Avatar to kill the demon king Hiranyakasipu who is the father of Prahalada. After being so furiously fought with so much of power to kill the king, the anger and the fierce of Narasimha didn't come down. With so much of anger Narasimha couldn't make out between good and bad people and started disturbing everyone and no one could control him. People prayed Lord Shiva to save them.

Lord Shiva took a new and powerful form or Avatar as Sarabeswara, with lion's face and eagle's wings. Shakthi accompanied Lord Shiva in the form

of Sri Mahaprathyangira Devi seated on one of the wings of Sri Sarabeswara. Sarabeswarar went and subsided Narasimha's anger to bring back peace.